

Information Services

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There has been remarkable progress in the library with regard to the services in general and in particular in its electronic resources.

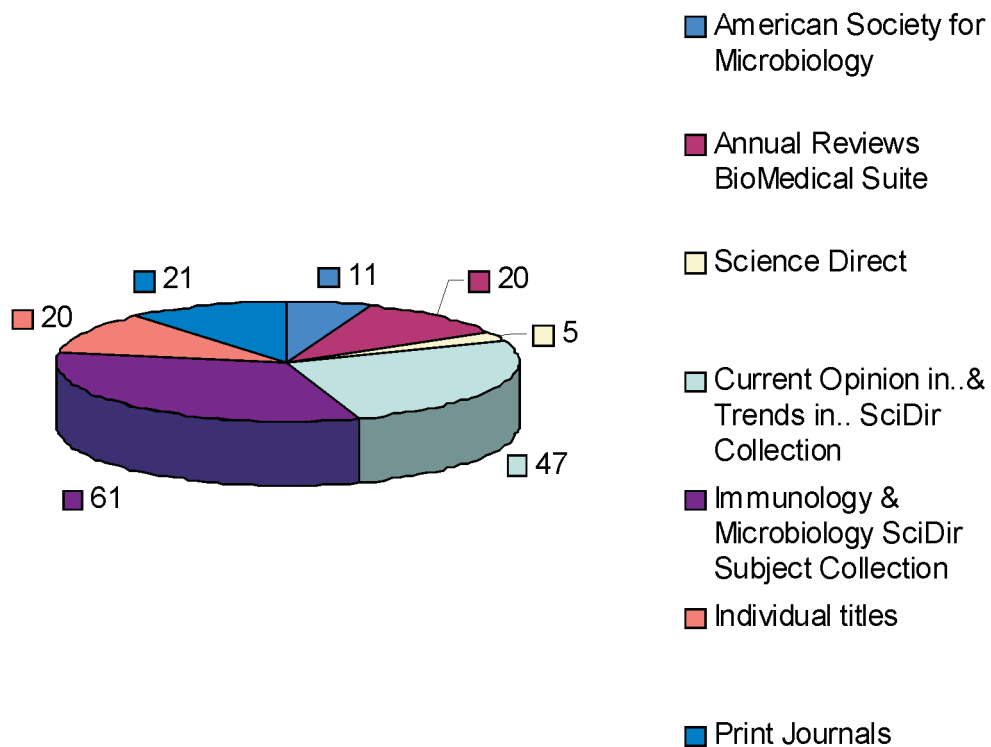
e-Collection development:

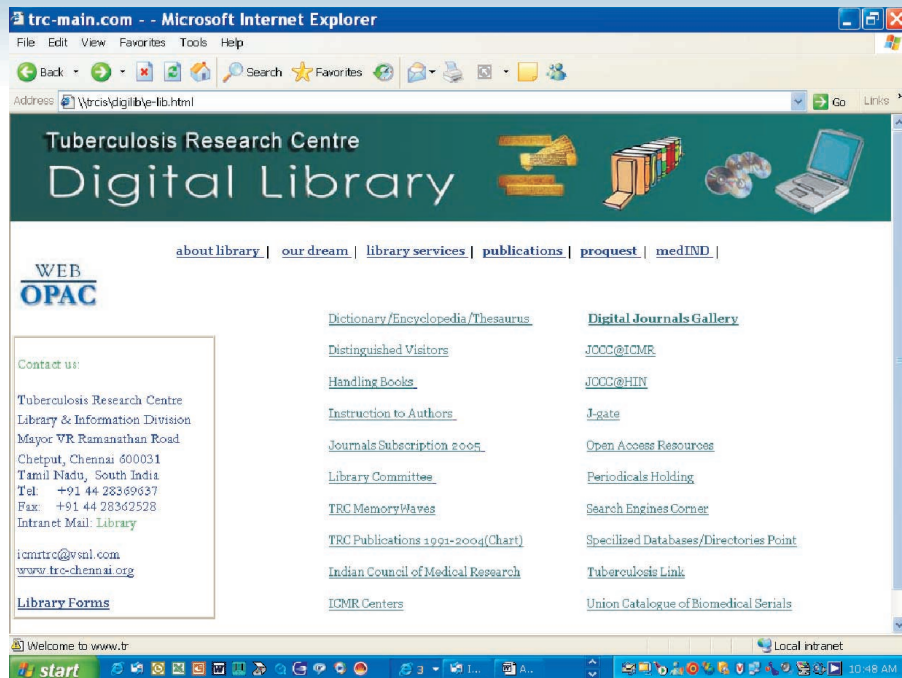
Our e-collection includes e-journals, e-databases, e-subject collection etc. The greatest health science e-collections like American Society for Microbiology cumulative collection, Annual Reviews Biomedical Suite, e-journals (individual titles), Science Direct Subject collections (Immunology & Microbiology; Current Opinions in.. & Trends in.. Journals) are the main resources of the library. The total subscribed e-resources covers nearly 85% of the library's regular collection.

Value Added Services:

Digital Library

The value added services are being extensively offered through digital library. The Digital Library has further been strengthened through interface with Journal Custom Content Consortia among ICMR institutes namely JCCC@ICMR, and Consortia among four major tuberculosis institutes in India viz., JCCC@HIN, as well as outside e-resources interface like International Tuberculosis Link, Open Access resources, medIND, J-gate, Meta Search Engines, Specialized Health Science Databases, Dictionaries, Thesaurus, etc. The interface for Library Web OPAC has also been established through digital library. The forms, which are used for regular library services are made available to the users through this digital library site.





Automation with Barcode ID

Retro conversion of card catalog has effectively been done and library automation system has been introduced with GLAS (Graphical Library Automation System, US) software, to integrate circulation and collection control. To make an effective functionality of the automation, Bar-code ID card has been issued to all the users of the library.

Web OPAC

TRC Library Online Public Access Catalog has been established through GLAS software and available through LAN. Current status of the library material(s) can be viewed by the users from their desk.

Multimedia Unit

Multimedia unit has been established with a view to expand the library services like pdf conversion of print documents of TRC

publications; scanning and editing of print articles, and services like Geographical Information System (GIS).

Consortium

TRC library joined hands with JCCC for effective resource sharing of all the ICMR institutes. J-gate will be an added strength to maximize the utilization of Open Access resources.

Further JCCC has been established for 4 major TB institutes in India under the WHO project through NTI.

Resource Sharing

The Resource Sharing Is effectively being done through this consortium as well as through ICMR librarians' mail group. The institute retains its membership facility with British Council Library, Chennai. The databases like PROQUEST and OVID further strengthens the resource sharing facility among ICMR institutes.

Internet Browsing Lab

In order to maximize the utilization of the Internet services, the browsing lab gateway is being kept open to all the project staff and students from outside.

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